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Title

Packaging Casing, in Particular Sausage Casing

Containing a Knitted Fabric and Method for

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Opening Said Casing

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Final Office Action of February 23, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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